

REMARKS

Reconsideration of this application as amended is respectfully requested.

Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner enter the above amendment before considering the Rule 1.53(b) Continuation patent application.

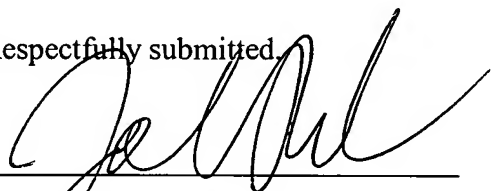
Claims 1-48 have been canceled without prejudice. New Claims 49-64 have been added.

The specification has been amended to include information of the related parent application on page 1. No new matter has been added.

Applicant submits that the claims are in condition for allowance. Allowance is earnestly solicited at the earliest possible date.

Please charge any additional charges to our Deposit Account No. 02-2666.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John Patrick Ward', is written over a horizontal line.

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